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HANSARD

Speaker: Honourable Derek Bennett, MHA

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Member-Elect met in the Assembly Chamber on the afternoon of September 13, 2024, for the Swearing-In Ceremony.

CLERK (Hawley George): Good afternoon.

Please rise for Her Honour the hon. Joan Marie Aylward, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Please welcome the Member-Elect for the District of Waterford Valley, Jamie Arthur Korab.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Hear, hear!

CLERK: You may be seated.

Your Honour, the Lieutenant Governor, hon. Premier, Members of the House of Assembly, Member-Elect Korab, family, friends, colleagues, welcome to today's ceremony.

My name is Kim Hawley George and I'm the Acting Clerk of the House of Assembly. There are three elements to the Swearing-In Ceremony of a Member of the House of Assembly.

Firstly, before a Member-Elect can assume their seat in the House, they must swear or affirm allegiance to the King. The Oath or Affirmation of Allegiance is a requirement under the *Constitution Act, 1867*, for Members of all legislatures in Canada, which must be witnessed by Her Honour the hon. Joan Marie Aylward, Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador.

Secondly, the Member-Elect must make an Oath or Affirmation of Office, which is a requirement of the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*. Both Oaths or Affirmations are then signed by the Member-Elect and Her Honour.

Lastly, the Member-Elect will sign the Roll of Members for the 50th General Assembly, which includes the alphabetical listing of all electoral districts and the signatures of Members elected to those districts in this General Assembly.

Your Honour, as Acting Clerk of the House of Assembly, I am pleased to report that in accordance with section 163 of the *Elections Act, 1991*, a notice was published in the *Newfoundland and Labrador Gazette* of September 9, declaring Jamie Arthur Korab the duly elected Member of the House of Assembly for the District of Waterford Valley.

I now ask Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor to read the instrument of authority.

HER HONOUR THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Joan Marie J. Aylward, ONL): Under and by Virtue of the powers conferred upon me as Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador and, in particular, pursuant to section 128 of the *Constitution Act, 1867*, and the *House of Assembly Accountability, Integrity and Administration Act*, I am pleased to administer the Affirmation of Allegiance and the Affirmation of Office to you, Jamie Korab.

CLERK: Member-Elect Korab, please rise and proceed to the front of the table facing Her Honour to make your Affirmation of Allegiance and Affirmation of Office.

J. KORAB: I, Jamie Korab, do affirm that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty, King Charles III, His Heirs and Successors, according to law.

I, Jamie Korab, do affirm that

(a) I am fully qualified to hold the office of Member for the District of Waterford Valley, to which I have been elected;

(b) I have not knowingly contravened the *Elections Act, 1991*, respecting any matter in relation to my election;

(c) I will faithfully, to the best of my ability, perform the duties and responsibilities of my office and will not allow any direct or indirect monetary or other personal or private interest to influence my conduct or affect my duties in public matters; and

(d) I affirm, ascribe to and agree to follow the Code of Conduct of Members adopted by the House of Assembly.

CLERK: Thank you, MHA-Elect Korab.

I now ask Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor and the MHA-Elect to sign the Affirmations.

(Signing of Affirmations.)

CLERK: Thank you.

I will now ask the MHA-Elect to proceed to the Clerk's Table to sign the Roll of Members.

(Signing of the Roll of Members.)

CLERK: Congratulations to the Member for the Waterford Valley, Jamie Arthur Korab.

SOME HON. MEMBERS: Hear, hear!

CLERK: This concludes the ceremony.

I will now ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort Her Honour the Lieutenant Governor from the Chamber.

All rise.

CLERK: Congratulations again, MHA Korab, and thank you to all in attendance today.